

HOUSE BILL 3612
By Fitzhugh

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-23-103(1), by increasing the base salaries of state judges effective September 1, 2006.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 8-23-103(1), is amended by designating the current language as subdivision (1)(A) and by adding the following language:

(B)

(i) Chancellors, circuit court judges, and criminal court judges shall receive a base salary of one hundred forty thousand dollars (\$140,000) per annum beginning September 1, 2006. Judges of the court of appeals and the court of criminal appeals shall receive a salary five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per annum in excess of that received by the trial judges effective September 1, 2006. Justices of the supreme court shall receive a salary ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) per annum in excess of that received by trial judges effective September 1, 2006. Beginning on July 1, 2007, and on each July 1 thereafter, the provisions of subdivision (2) shall be applied to determine what, if any, adjustments are to be made to the base salaries set out in this paragraph.

(ii) In addition to the base salary effective September 1, 2006, as set out in subdivision (1)(B)(i), the chief justice of the supreme court shall receive five thousand dollars (\$5,000) per annum, and the presiding judges of the court of appeals and the court of criminal appeals shall receive two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per annum.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect September 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.